



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 400

By Representative Curtiss

and

Senator Burks

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Fire Chief Jimmy Tuberville.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective well-being, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through service as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, these individuals daily face the rigors of corporal imperilment in protecting those whom they so selflessly serve; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Tuberville, the Chief of the Milledgeville Fire Department, was one such outstanding public servant, and the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of his death; and

WHEREAS, a proud veteran and member of American Legion Post 98, Chief Tuberville rendered sterling service in the United States Army during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Tuberville served with distinction as a firefighter for more than two decades, consistently battling the inferno with no thought of personal safety in his fearless efforts to distinguish the flames and rescue the endangered civilians; and

WHEREAS, calm and courageous even under the most trying conditions, this dedicated and thoughtful leader expertly led those under his command with unflinching valor as their Fire Chief for ten years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his responsibilities at the Fire Department, Jimmy Tuberville worked assiduously to establish a brighter future for the people of his community as a City Alderman and usher in a host of positive changes throughout his eight year tenure; and

WHEREAS, Chief Tuberville distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order through his service on the Cemetery Committee and Park Commission for the Town of Milledgeville; and

WHEREAS, Chief Tuberville was an active and devout member of the Milledgeville United Methodist Church, where he faithfully served as the Assistant Superintendent of Sunday School and a valued member of numerous boards; and

WHEREAS, this intrepid individual was deeply devoted to his family and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his beloved wife, Patricia "Ann" Tuberville, and his two cherished sons, Justin and Joey; and

WHEREAS, Chief Tuberville leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Chief Jimmy Tuberville, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Chief Tuberville.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: MAY 16, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 24th day of May 2011


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR